



## 2025 SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

### THE PROGRAM

1. The New Jersey Alumni Chapter (NJAC) has established a scholarship program to assist undergraduate students at North Carolina A&T State University (NCA&TSU), hailing from the State of New Jersey.
2. This scholarship program is administered by the NJAC of North Carolina A&T State University. Awards are granted without regard to race, creed, color, religion, sexual orientation, age, gender, disability or national origin.
3. Recipients will receive such an award upon a demonstration of outstanding achievements in many areas of their lives, including school and community involvement, as well as academic achievement. The scholarship shall be formally entitled the "NEW JERSEY ALUMNI CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP", hereinafter referred to as the "NJAC Scholarship" (formerly known as the **NEAT Scholarship**).
4. It is the intent of the NJAC to award four (4) scholarships each academic year of North Carolina A&T State University. Furthermore, the NJAC Scholarship is intended to be awarded to an incoming freshman, a rising Sophomore, rising Junior, and rising Senior.

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicants to the NJAC Scholarship Program must be:
  - A. A High School Senior and/or incoming Freshman, current NCA&TSU student, or College Transfer Student that will graduate or has graduated from the State of New Jersey's Public and/or accredited Private schools.
  - B. An Applicant /Recipient registered at NCA&TSU as a full time\*\* student.  
  
\*\* Full time student is defined as full time enrollment, as solely determined by North Carolina A&T State University, for the entire upcoming academic year.
  - C. An applicant currently having a minimum grade point average of 3.0 (weighted) on a 4.0 scale (or its equivalent).
  - D. An applicant (**High School Senior** and/or incoming Freshman **only**) that has a score of 1000 or higher on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or have a 21 or higher on the American College Testing (ACT).
  - E. An Applicant / Recipient who is **not** the recipient of a **full academic scholarship**, provided by any entity or source, or an **athletic scholarship** to attend North Carolina A&T State University.
2. The applicant is required to submit three (3) "Letters of Recommendation" to NJAC, governed by the following:
  - A. For Incoming Freshman: One Letter of Recommendation must be from an official of the student's high school.

- B. For Current NCA&TSU Students: One Letter of Recommendation must be from an official of NCA&TSU, and preferably submitted from a professor or instructor in the school or college within which the student is pursuing his or her degree, with personal knowledge of the academics or character of the Applicant.
- C. For Transfer Students: One Letter of Recommendation must be submitted from an official of the college or university the Transfer Student most recently attended.
- D. Letters of Recommendation from employers, community leaders, officers of organizations, church leaders, etc. are acceptable. Letters of Recommendation from immediate family members or relatives will not be acceptable forms of recommendations.

## **AWARDS**

Recipients of the NJAC Scholarship will each be awarded \$1,000.00, based upon the availability of funds. On occasion, NJAC may elect to either increase or decrease the amount of the award as shall be determined in the sole judgment of NJAC.

## **APPLICATION**

Interested students must complete the application along with submitting the following supporting documentation with the application:

- A. A current high school transcript of grades (High School Seniors and/or incoming Freshman) or current college transcript of grades (NCA&TSU or Transfer students).
- B. Three (3) Letters of Recommendation.

## **SELECTION PROCEDURE**

The selection process under the NJAC Scholarship program sponsored by the NJAC will be governed by the following:

- A. Scholarship applications, transcripts, and accompanying recommendations can only be submitted to the NJAC Scholarship Committee during the “Application Period”. The Application Period shall begin on March 11<sup>th</sup> of any given school year and will remain open until May 16<sup>th</sup> (the “Closing Date”), or the application will be denied. Applicants will receive acknowledgment of receipt of their application.
- B. All applications and supporting documentation must be completed (in PDF or Word documents) and emailed to the following email addresses by 11:59 pm on May 16<sup>th</sup>.
  - i. [njaggiealumni@gmail.com](mailto:njaggiealumni@gmail.com)
  - ii. [cliffordholmes@verizon.net](mailto:cliffordholmes@verizon.net)
- C. Scholarship recipients are selected based on an array of factors, including but not limited to, their current collegiate or high school academic record (as applicable), demonstrated leadership, participation in school and community activities, honors received, work experience, athletic achievements, a statement of goals, aspirations, and unusual family or personal circumstances.
- D. Selection of recipients is made by the NJAC Scholarship Committee. Upon application submission, all applicants agree to accept the decision of the Scholarship Committee as final and unappealable.
- E. Applicants will be notified of application status by May 31<sup>st</sup> of any given year. As shall be solely determined by NJAC, some of the applicants may be selected for a virtual interview prior to the final

selection of the winning candidates. Not all applicants however will be selected for a personal interview which are intended to be conducted via Zoom, Microsoft Teams, WebEx or other virtual meeting platforms that may exist at the time of the award of the scholarship in future years.

## **PAYMENT OF SCHOLARSHIPS**

A check made in the amount of \$1,000 USD, will be payable to North Carolina A&T State University, with the scholarship's recipient name and banner number written in the memo section of the check. Checks will be given to each scholarship recipient at the annual student send-off in June/July. If the student is unable to attend the student send-off, the check will be mailed to the scholarship recipient during the week of the student send-off.

## **OBLIGATIONS**

1. Recipients are required to notify NJAC of any changes in address, school enrollment, cooperative education/intern assignment, or other relevant information.
2. Schedules permitting, on occasion, the recipients may be requested to assist/volunteer with the NJAC. Volunteer requirements include assisting in recruiting New Jersey high school students expressing an interest in attending North Carolina A&T State University. The NJAC will contact recipients, as necessary.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

1. Additional questions regarding the NJAC Scholarship should be addressed to:

[njaggiealumni@gmail.com](mailto:njaggiealumni@gmail.com), and [cliffordholmes@verizon.net](mailto:cliffordholmes@verizon.net)